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Rating Process & Fees

The GreenPoint Rating process is a non-invasive physical examination of building systems, structures, materials and components to assess energy and water efficiency, indoor air quality, resource efficiency of materials and construction methods, and construction quality. The rating process is not intended to be technically exhaustive and should not be relied upon to identify potential construction defects.

What are Green Points?

The points in GreenPoint Rated correspond to recommended green building measures in Build It Green's <u>Green Building Guidelines</u>. Point values are assigned based on their benefits to the homeowner and the environment and reflect construction practices that exceed California's building and energy code requirements. Any eligible project that achieves the minimum of 50 total points and meets the category-specific point thresholds earns the right to bear the GreenPoint Rated label. Builders that exceed this minimum are rewarded by a higher grade on their projects.

Ratings are performed by <u>Certified GreenPoint Raters</u>, independent professionals who are trained and certified by Build It Green. They are prepared to team up with the builder to maximize home performance and green features and compile supporting documentation for the rating process. The rater submits verification results on the client's behalf to Build It Green.

What types of projects are eligible, and how much does it cost?

Single-family residential, multi-family residential, and single family existing home remodeling projects are eligible for certification under the GreenPoint Rated program.

Build It Green Fees:

Fees to Build It Green cover the cost to review, process and quality assure the application and final checklist. They also cover processing the certificate for the homeowner.

Item	Pricing
Project Application Fee	\$400 per project, due with application
Home Processing and Certificate (per home/unit, waived for first unit)	\$50 per home, due at completion of unit or phase
Project Processing and Certificate (multifamily master certificate/rental complex)	\$100 per project, due at completion
Duplicate Certificate or Reprint	\$10 per certificate
Project Pre-Construction Review for GreenPoint Rated Logo Use	\$350 per project, invoiced to builder due upon application

GreenPoint Rater Fees:

Fees for conducting a home rating are negotiated directly between the GreenPoint Rater and client. While every project is unique, surveys show that basic rating fees (excluding consultation and travel) typically range from \$700-\$1500 for a single-family home or \$3750-\$6000 for a 30-unit subdivision or multifamily project.

What's involved?

General steps for participating in the GreenPoint Rated program include:

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- Builder or project owner contracts with a Certified GreenPoint Rater to verify participating project(s).

- Rater works with the client to identify targeted GreenPoint Rated measures and submits project planning score sheet and application to Build It Green.
 Rater conducts verification at various phases of the project.
 Rater compiles documentation, calculates score, and submits final results to client and to Build It Green for rating certificate.

Please review the $\underline{\text{GreenPoint Rated Builder Handbook}}$ for complete program information.

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